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SUBJECT: IRAQ AND KUWAIT TO HOLD TRADE TALKS

1. IRAQI NEW AGENCY, JULY 15, REPORTS THAT AN IRAQI-KUWAITI
JOINT COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND TRANSIT WILL MEETIN BAGHDAD
JULY 25 TO DISCUSS BILATERAL TRADE RELATIONS. SUBJECTS TO

BE DISCUSSED INCLUDE REDUCTION OF CUSTOMS BARRIERS,
FACILITATION OF TRANSIT TRADE, AND SIGNING OF A JOINT
PROTOCOL ESTABLISHING TRADE CENTERS IN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

2. THE COMMITTEE WILL ALSO DISCUSS KUWAITI PARTICIPATION IN
THE OCTOBER 1978 BAGHDAD INTERNATIONAL FAIR AND POSSIBILITY
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OR ORGANIZING AN IRAQI FAIR IN KUWAIT IN 1979.

3. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH USINT HAS LITTLE TO ADD TO PRESS
REPORTS IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT ANNOUNCEMENT
OF IMPENDING TALKS CAME A FEW DAYS AFTER THE VISIT OF BADR
NASSER, COMMANDER OF KUWAITI BORDER FORCES TO BAGHDAD. THE REPORT
OF ESTABLISHMENT OF TRADE CENTERS IS SURPRISING SINCE

IRAQ HAD A SMALL TRADE CENTER IN KUWAIT SOME YEARS AGO
AND WE UNDERSTOOD IT IS STILL OPERATING; HOWEVER,
THERE HAS NEVER BEEN A KUWAITI CENTER IN BAGHDAD.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION KUWAIT CAN PROVIDE
ON TALKS.
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